

Introduced by Senators Lara and Pavley

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An act to add Section 39719 to the Health and Safety Code, relating to vehicles.

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SB 1204, as introduced, Lara. California Clean Truck and Bus Program.

Existing law requires all moneys, except for fines and penalties, collected by the State Air Resources Board from the auction or sale of allowances as part of a market-based compliance mechanism relative to reduction of greenhouse gas emissions, commonly known as cap and trade revenues, to be deposited in the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund, and to be used, upon appropriation by the Legislature, for specified purposes.

This bill would create the California Clean Truck and Bus Program, to be funded from cap and trade revenues, to fund zero- and near-zero emission truck and zero-emission bus technology and related projects, as specified, with preference to be given to projects in disadvantaged communities. The program would be administered by the state board.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 39719 is added to the Health and Safety
- 2 Code, to read:
- 3 39719. (a) The California Clean Truck and Bus Program is
- 4 hereby created, to be administered by the state board.

1 (b) From funds appropriated from the fund for that purpose, the
2 state board shall establish a focused medium- and heavy-duty truck
3 deployment program, with an emphasis on technology development
4 and demonstration for zero- and near-zero emissions goods
5 movement. Eligible projects under this subdivision shall include,
6 but not be limited to, targeted early stage technological
7 development funding, small scale pilot demonstrations of new
8 technologies, and larger, commercial scale demonstrations of trucks
9 operating in real world conditions. Funding made available under
10 this subdivision shall complement existing efforts in this area at
11 the State Energy Conservation and Development Commission and
12 the state board. Preference shall be given to disadvantaged
13 communities pursuant to the requirements of Sections 39711 and
14 39713.

15 (c) From funds appropriated from the fund for that purpose, the
16 state board shall establish an emerging technology demonstration
17 program for zero-emission buses to be used in public transportation.
18 Eligible projects to be funded under the program include projects
19 recommended by public transit agencies to demonstrate and deploy,
20 as part of their fleets, advanced fueled vehicles and associated
21 infrastructure. The objective of the program shall be to demonstrate
22 zero-emission bus technology at a commercial scale, in order to
23 clear the path for broader deployment of zero-emission bus
24 technology throughout the state. Preference shall be given to
25 disadvantaged communities pursuant to the requirements of
26 Sections 39711 and 39713.